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## 1. PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Armourcoat Tactite is a water-based, semi-translucent decorative wall coating which features a 'soft touch' feel to create a warm inviting interior with a suede or textured finish.

Armourcoat Tactite is created using Armourcoat Basecolor Paint and Armourcoat Tactite decorative paint.

## **Properties**

- · Provides a seamless, durable, cleanable, hardwearing and low maintenance wall finish
- · Available in a range of colours with a 'soft touch' suede effect
- · Formulated to prevent mould, mildew and bacterial growth
- · Low VOCs and low odour
- Drying times: 4 8 hours
- Environmental Product Declaration (pending)
- · LBC Red List Compliant

#### 2. TEST DATA

Armourcoat Tactite has been subjected to Fire, VOC, and other performance testing.

#### 2.1. FIRE TESTING

## 2.1.1. Fire Test Results

Test carried out in accordance with ASTM E84 - 14, Standard Test Method for Surface Burning Characteristics of Building Materials.

TEST TYPE	RESULT
Flame Spread Index	5
Smoke Development Index	5
Flame Spread Classification	А

## 2.2. VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUND (VOC) TESTING

#### 2.2.1. VOC Content testing

A sample of Armourcoat Tactite was tested by an accredited European laboratory (Eurofins) to ISO 11890-2, Standard Practise for Determining Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) Content of Paints and Related Coatings.

## **Test Result**

TEST METHOD	VOC (G/L)	VOC (LBS/GAL)	LIMIT OF DETECTION (G/L)
ISO 11890-2	5.5	<1	1



## **Evaluation of result**

TEST METHOD	CONCLUSION	VERSION OR PROTOCOL
Decopaint	Pass	Directive 2004/42/CE

## 2.2.2. VOC Emissions Testing

A sample of Armourcoat Tactite was tested by Eurofins to a wide range of emissions standards including EN 16516, ISO 16000-6, French and Italian VOC regulations.

## **Evaluation of results**

REGULATION OR PROTOCOL	CONCLUSION	VERSION OF REGULATION OR PROTOCOL
French VOC Regulation	A+	Decree of March 2011 (DEVL1101903D) and Arrêté of April 2011 (DEVL1104875A) modified in February 2012 (DEVL1133129A)
French CMR Components	Pass	Regulation of April and May 2009 (DEVP0908633A and DEVP0910046A)
Italian CAM Edilizia	Pass	Decree 11 October 2017 (GU n.259 del 6-11-2017)
BREEAM International	Basic Level	BREEAM International New Construction v2.0 (2016)

## 2.2.3. Environments Building Certification

BREEAM International - Basic status for VOC Emissions

Full Certificates supplied on Request.

## 2.3. MOULD/MILDEW RESISTANCE

ASTM D 3273 Standard Test Method for Resistance to Growth of Mould on the Surface of Interior Coatings in an Environmental Chamber.

ASTM D 3274 Standard Test Method for Evaluating Degree of Surface Disfigurement of Paint Films by Microbial (Fungal or Algal) Growth or Soil and Dirt Accumulation.

PLASTER	FINISH	POST TREATMENT	FRONT PANEL	BACK PANEL
Armourcoat Tactite	-	-	10/10/10	10/10/10

<sup>\*</sup>Rating system: 1 is very poor. 10 is no growth.

Testing was carried out by an accredited American testing laboratory.



## 2.4. ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCT DECLARATION (EPD)

A full life cycle analysis has been completed and we are currently awaiting final independent verification and publishing of our EPD.

## 2.5. LIVING BUILDING CHALLENGE (LBC)

Living Building Challenge (LBC) Red List Approved is a status indicating that a product is in compliance with the requirements of the LBC Challenge. Armourcoat Tactite has met this challenge and contains no materials that appear on the LBC Red List - March 2022.

## 3. SUITABLE SUBSTRATES

## Preparation and Application should be carried out generally in accordance with BS 6150: 2006.

Most common substrates are suitable for Armourcoat Tactite products. Application generally has the same substrate requirements as water-based paints.

Ensure all substrates to be coated are thoroughly clean and dry.

Ensure that both internal and external corners are clean cut and true. External angles must not be formed using paper tape beads. Walls must have an even surface with any board joints flush. The products are only thin coatings therefore poorly constructed and prepared substrates will negatively affect the final appearance. Silicone and mastic products are not appropriate for coverage with Armourcoat Tactite products.

#### 3.1. PLASTERED SURFACES

Plastered surfaces must be completely dry and installed as per manufacturers guidelines. When plastering, good site practice should be followed as set out in **BS5492: 1990 Code of Practise for Internal Plastering.** Once the plaster is completely dry, prime the surface with a good quality plaster sealer/consolidator such as Dulux Plaster Sealer. This will promote adhesion of all subsequent layers and ensure a clean masking tape removal should there be a need to tape directly to the Armourcoat Tactite surface.

## 3.2. NEW CONCRETE, BRICKWORK AND BLOCKWORK

New concrete, brickwork and blockwork backgrounds must be plastered with a gypsum plaster to straighten the walls horizontally and vertically to achieve a true, flat surface and skimmed with a finish plaster. Prime the surface as discussed in 3.1 and allow to dry fully.

## 3.3. DRY-LINED SURFACE

Dry-lined surfaces should be finished as ready for painting; taped, jointed and primed with a suitable mist coat of the relevant Armourcoat Basecolor. Corner, shadow, feature and movement profiles should be fixed and jointed-in as normal.

## 3.4. WOOD AND COMPOSITE WOOD BOARD SURFACE

Prior to the application of any Armourcoat Tactite products, ensure that all materials are totally dry and then apply a suitable wood primer. Follow the primer manufacturers guidelines on drying times before overcoating.



#### 3.5. EXISTING WALLS

Existing walls must have any defective areas cut out back to a sound substrate. These areas must then be filled with plaster to create a flush surface. Ensure that existing wallpaper or paint is sound by attaching a piece of masking tape to the surface and pulling it off rapidly. If the paint or paper are removed by the tape, or if the paper is lifting anywhere, it will need to be stripped back to a sound surface. Gloss paint or any shiny surface will need to be roughened up by sanding the surface with 40 grit abrasive paper. If the wall is dusty and not covered with absorbent wallpaper, prime the whole wall with diluted R13 resin and allow to dry fully or use an alkali stabilising solution if appropriate. If there has been staining of an old wall, the wall will need to be treated with a suitable stain blocking primer.

#### 3.6. TIMING OF WORK

As decorative finishing is the final stage of any project, the application should be programmed as late as possible in the contract, ideally after installation of lighting. Heavily trafficked areas should be protected until completion of construction work. All products demonstrate reasonable/good strength, but this builds up gradually over a period of 2 weeks depending on conditions as it dries. The product will be touch dry but not hard on the same day of application.

## 4. CARE AND MAINTENANCE

#### 4.1. CLEANING SURFACE DIRT AND GRIME

Mix a small quantity of liquid detergent or soap into a bucket of clean water. Work from top to bottom of dirty area using a well-soaked soft cloth, sponge, very soft bristle brush or low-pressure garden mist sprayer. Do not use scouring pads, industrial strength cleaners or solvents since these may damage the film.

Do not allow cleaning solution to dry on the wall. Where possible blot the wall dry with an absorbent towel or sponge. Armourcoat Tactite decorative coatings will be unaffected by mild detergents but may soften slightly with prolonged cleaning. It is recommended that a small area is test cleaned to check for a satisfactory result.

## 4.2. REPAIRS

Armourcoat Tactite decorative coatings are tough and durable coatings but can be damaged. In the event of damage please contact the installer for technical assistance, instructions and patching material.

Light damage may be repaired. Heavy damage may require the wall to be re-coated to avoid seams. To refurbish an area coated with Armourcoat Tactite products, either simply re-coat or paint over to achieve a consistent finish again. Some products within the range may require a light sand prior to overcoating.

#### 5. WARRANTY

1-year materials warranty for interior use.